

PENDING CLAIMS AS AMENDED

Claim 1 (Cancelled)

Claim 2 (Cancelled)

Claim 3 (Cancelled)

Claim 4 (Cancelled)

Claim 5 (Cancelled)

Claim 6 (Cancelled)

Claim 7 (Cancelled)

Claim 8 (Cancelled)

Claim 9 (Cancelled)

Claim 10 (Cancelled)

11. (Original) A method of noise estimation in a communication device comprising:
calculating a cross product of a received Pilot signal to generate a demodulated Pilot signal;
determining an energy of the demodulated Pilot signal; and
accumulating the energy over a frame to produce a received noise estimate.

12. (Original) The method of Claim 11, wherein calculating the cross product comprises calculating a cross product of the received Pilot signal with a filtered Pilot signal.

13. (Previously Amended) A method of noise estimation in a communication device comprising:
calculating a cross product of a received Pilot signal in a plurality of fingers of a rake receiver to generate a demodulated Pilot signal in each of the plurality of fingers;
time aligning the demodulated signals from each of the plurality of fingers in a corresponding plurality of deskew buffers;

summing the time aligned demodulated signals from the plurality of deskew buffers to generate a composite demodulated signal;
determining a magnitude of the composite demodulated signal; and
accumulating the magnitude of the composite demodulated signal over a frame.

14. (Previously Cancelled)

15. (Previously Amended) The method of Claim 13, wherein the communication device is a CDMA mobile station.

16. (Original) The method of Claim 13, further comprising:
determining an energy of the composite demodulated signal; and
accumulating the energy of the composite demodulated signal over a frame.

17. (Original) The method of Claim 16, wherein the communication device is a CDMA mobile station.

Claim 18 (Cancelled)

Claim 19 (Cancelled)

Claim 20 (Cancelled)

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Claim 23 (Cancelled)

Claim 24 (Cancelled)

Claim 25 (Cancelled)

Claim 26 (Cancelled)

Claim 27 (Cancelled)

28. (Original) A noise estimator in a communication device comprising:

means for calculating a cross product of a received Pilot signal to generate a demodulated Pilot signal;
means for determining an energy of the demodulated Pilot signal; and
means for accumulating the determined energy over a frame to produce a received noise estimate.

29. (Original) The noise estimator of Claim 28, wherein the means for calculating the cross product comprises means for calculating a cross product of the received Pilot signal with a filtered Pilot signal.

30. (Previously Amended) A noise estimator in a communication device comprising:

means for calculating a cross product of a received Pilot signal in a plurality of fingers of a rake receiver to generate a demodulated Pilot signal in each of the plurality of fingers;

means for time aligning the demodulated signals from each of the plurality of fingers in a corresponding plurality of deskew buffers;

means for summing the time aligned demodulated signals from the plurality of deskew buffers to generate a composite demodulated signal;

means for determining a magnitude of the composite demodulated signal; and

means for accumulating the determined magnitude of the composite demodulated signal over a frame to produce a received noise estimate.

31. (Previously Cancelled)

32. (Previously Amended) The noise estimator of Claim 30, wherein the communication device is a CDMA mobile station.

33. (Original) The noise estimator of Claim 30, further comprising:

means for determining an energy of the composite demodulated signal; and

means for accumulating the determined energy of the composite demodulated signal over a frame to produce a received noise estimate.

34. (Original) The noise estimator of Claim 33, wherein the communication device is a CDMA mobile station.

35. (Cancelled)

36. (Cancelled)

37. (Cancelled)